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### FAMOUS WOMEN.

To Parents and Teachers—Get Your Children to Read This Instructive Daily Feature.

### AUGUSTA EVANS WILSON.

One of the foremost American authors, Augusta Jane Evans Wilson, was born eighty-three years ago today in Columbus, Ga. Her childhood was spent for the greater part in San Antonio, Texas, which was then a frontier town and continuously living in fear of Mexican raids. As a matter of fact Augusta Wilson lived on the Mexican border for two years during the war with the Republic to the south of us, but in 1849 moved with her family to Mobile, Ala. Miss Evans was a zealous sympathizer with the South during the Civil War, and was unsparring in her labor to advance the cause of the Confederacy. She was married in 1863 to L. M. Wilson of Mobile. She was the author of the famous novels "Beulah," "Macaria," "Inez," "St. Elmo," and many others. Mrs. Wilson died in 1900.

## HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Place a pan full of lighted charcoal in middle of room and throw over it two handfuls of juniper berries, shut the windows and doors for a day and paint smell will disappear. The advantage of this is that you will not have to remove tapestry or furniture, as the smoke of the juniper berries is not injurious to them.

To mend glass or china. Mix the white of an egg with flour to form a paste, put on the edges and join together and leave until dry.

When the window shade falls off the rod take a shoe string, or any kind of strong tape, and put the tack through it. No matter if the children pull on it, or the spring breaks, it will not tear off again.

Save all tins used in the household, from condensed milk to tomato can mugs, and keep handy to the cellar coal bin.

Every night after the furnace or heater is fixed for the night, fill two or three of these cans full of the finest of the coal and place on the top of the fire in such a way that the open ends meet. The contents of these cans will burn slowly all night, throwing out extra heat, which gradually opens and reduces the tins to scraps, which can easily be removed in the morning, leaving a bed of red hot coals.

This idea also works equally well in both kitchen range and parlor stoves by using the smaller tins.

## Smart Millinery

### PLEATED ORGANDIE

Pleated organdie also is much used over a plain foundation of organdie and a model of this type had a tiny wreath of flat roses tracing the brim edge. Hair flanges are much used to extend brim edges; on a black Leghorn the hair is applied to the brim edge and French flowers laid all around the brim. Navy Georgette is used as the foundation of a large poke, and this is covered in navy hair with blue and white flowers and foliage trimming the crown sides.

### RIBBON CROWN ON GEORGETTE BRIM

A very beautiful large hat combines a soft high crown made of the narrowest of white grosgrain ribbon, with white Georgette brim that is embroidered in white French knots that give exactly the appearance of seed beads. Sports models show profuse embroideries of wool on a crown and brim that are in the same tone as the hat itself.

### FLOWERS BETWEEN HAIR BRIMS

A pretty little cloche in navy hair was trimmed with little flat flowers in various colors laid in between the hair brim and the hair facing with velvet ribbon tied about the crown. Rough straw is used in very smart ways here; for instance, there is a huge sailor fashioned of king's blue rough straw with the round crown covered entirely in white silk foliage, and a soft white satin bow laid on the side brim. Then it is used on another model as the flange of a cloche of Georgette.

### BLACK AND WHITE

The combination of black and white is evidenced in a smart cloche with its round crown of black piping and brim of white organdie trimmed with a wreath of field flowers. The all-white hat is seen at its best in a very large sailor of natural Milan with a tiny roll edge and about the crown a white breast covering it almost entirely. White wings are used to a very great extent on these shapes of natural Milan, and the trade seems to think that the combination will be a very popular one for summer.

## The New Clothes

There are knitting bags fashioned entirely of black or bright colored fabric seal which is treated in such a way as to give the appearance of a pin seal which is so pliable. Some of these bags are not to be passed by, made of fancy silks in all light colors both plain and fancy such as would be companionable with a sports or summer costume. Especially suitable for these silks are the ivory shell frames or those of light coloring.

One does not hear a great deal about camisoles just now, but whenever mention of them is made, the report is almost invariably to the effect that they are good. Sateen continues to be the favorite material, even on late spring orders, women seeming to prefer the gleam of this material under their blouses rather than the duller crepe. Some of the new models are of lace and Georgette in combination, and nearly all of those in sateen have touches of Georgette somewhere on the yoke.

Perhaps one of the quaintest blouses noted is made of Swiss dotted in white on a blue ground. It is also one of the button back variety, and is cut with a round neck, shirred in three lines, in the fashion which, has met with so much success. But instead of cords, the blouse is shirred upon narrow ribbons of Deft blue grosgrain, which pull at the back in drawingstring fashion and fasten with smart little bows. The full Bishop sleeves are finished with the same fabric, the ribbon bows being tied at the outer edge of the sleeves.

We have had plain organdie and plaided organdies and organdies crossbarred by pin stripes in color; and although this sheer material was shown in neckwear earlier than usual this season, it continues to be the choice of the majority for summer neckwear, both in white and color. White and color have been combined in a pattern of tiny checks and used for gumpies. Maize and white and French blue and white are the two combinations, the colors rather overshadowing the white and giving the effect of a check in self color.

White veils have been in great demand. One made with a yellow satin undershirt, with white voile over, reaching to within a few inches of the under hem, was deeply embroidered with daisies with yellow centers, the bodice being banded with the embroidery just below the arms. The elbow sleeves were made with embroidery at hem, and a very wide yellow satin crushed belt was tied in two sets of bows at the back. A yellow satin knitting bag had the white voile embroidered with matching daisies.

## Gown of Black Satin for Afternoon Wear



This charming afternoon gown is made of black satin trimmed with black silk braid. An ecru collar and cuff set embroidered in darker shade affords a pleasing contrast.

### PREVENTS STRETCHING.

Children's knit underwaists are always stretching out of shape around the neck and armholes. To remedy this stretch bias lawn tape around the neck and armholes of the waists when they are new and before they are worn. Knit waists so treated will keep their shapes until worn out.

### POPULAR VESTS.

The vest motif seems unavoidable this Spring—at least no blouse seems to have been able to get away from it. Some blouses have vests as broad as waistcoats; in other models the vest is a mere inch wide line of contrasting fabric down the center front and, of course, this contrasting fabric is apt to appear in collar and cuffs.

### WRING LINEN BY HAND.

If you put your table linen through the wringer you will have creases which are rather hard to remove when ironing. Rather wring by hand, smoothing when putting on the line. Do not use starch. Iron with hot irons while the linen is still quite wet.

## GRIFFIN-SHEA WEDDING TOOK PLACE TUESDAY

Avignon Club Will Continue Work Through Summer.

### DEMONSTRATION KITCHEN OPENS

Comfort Club to Have Apron Sale Tomorrow Afternoon.

Miss Madeline Shea, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel D. Shea of 3 Bell street, Stamford, was married to William B. Griffin of this city yesterday, at 9 a. m., in St. John's Catholic church, Stamford, by Rev. James C. O'Brien, Father Kelly assisting. They were attended by Mrs. T. A. Hogan and John R. Griffin, the latter being a brother of the bridegroom.

After celebrating the nuptial mass Father O'Brien went up into the altar as he said he wished especially to felicitate this couple. Twenty-five years ago when pastor of the Sacred Heart church he officiated at the marriage of the groom's parents, and later on he baptized the groom. Thus he felt especially interested in the young man, and he wished the pair every happiness.

A reception followed at the home of the bride, where a wedding breakfast was served. There were a number of out-of-town guests present. After a short wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Griffin will reside in this city, where the groom is assistant sales manager of the International Silver Company. Mrs. Griffin has been well known as a singer, and for a time was one of the soloists of St. John's church.

The Ladies' Aid society of the German Reformed church will meet tomorrow afternoon in the basement of the church, Chapel street entrance. The program for the evening includes a play, "The Good Wife," and the Misses Lydia Fitch and Ira Rinker will be the hostesses. Members and friends are cordially invited to attend.

Members of the Avignon Club at the last meeting held at the home of Mrs. C. F. A. Bliz on Stillman street decided to keep on with the club work during the summer months. Miss Hastings read a very charming letter from Madame Boissiere, who is stationed in Avignon and in this she described the conditions there and said that the money that had been sent her had not only been sufficient to care for the women and children but that she had been enabled to buy braces and comforts for the wounded soldiers.

The rag dolls of unusual design that were made by the young women of the Connecticut Evangelical Normal school were disposed of by the club and the proceeds added to its fund. It is planned to have a bridge at the Black Rock Shore and Country Club within a short time for the benefit of the members and their friends. After the business of the afternoon had been disposed of cards were played and the prizes were won by Miss Hastings and Mrs. J. H. Savard.

There is real opportunity for the women of this city to learn the right way to use the various substitutes recommended by the Food Administration as the demonstrations in corn flour and barley flour are continuing every afternoon in the Demonstration kitchen on Fairfield avenue. Experts are in charge and there is the chance for every woman of the city to acquire knowledge that will be of the utmost value to her. Knowledge that she must have.

Tomorrow afternoon at the home of Mrs. Irving Davis, 623 State street, there is to be an apron sale under the auspices of the Comfort Club of the 1024 Ambulance Corps. Aprons of all kinds and descriptions will be available. Red Cross, Hoover, Kitchen, garden and in short, all known varieties. The report of the tea which the Comfort Club holds every afternoon in St. John's Parish House between 4 and 5 o'clock, for the month of April, has just been received and the sum taken in was \$54.85. This money is used to send smokes to the boys over there. The members of the Comfort Club will be in charge of the sale tomorrow afternoon.

An address on the Jewish Women in Agriculture of interest to the Jewish residents of this city, is to be delivered by Joseph Pincus, secretary of the Jewish Farmers of America at the lodge rooms in the Staples Building, State street, corner of Court, this evening, under the auspices of Harmony lodge in co-operation of the Council of Jewish Women and Hebrew Children Aid Society. Mr. Pincus has achieved national renown as editor of the "Jewish Farmer," the only Jewish agricultural publication in the United States. He was brought up on one of the farms in our state and has graduated from a Connecticut Agricultural college where he received high honors. Considered an authority on the subject of farming among foreign born and the United States bureau of agriculture at Washington has invited him on many occasions to conferences on this subject. His address is expected to be a timely one and a large gathering is looked forward to. Attorney Charles H. Shapiro, chairman of the Intellectual Advancement committee, will preside.

### ONE DISH DINNER.

One dish dinners promise to become popular—and one suggestion is a fish chowder with a variation of rabbit foot or meat. Another is dried peas with rice and tomatoes.

## TWO GALLANT RED CROSS LIEUTENANTS FROM CANADA



Lieutenants Isobel Gordon McElroy (left) and Blanche Leveille, Canadian Red Cross nurses, are in the United States to recuperate from service of a year and a half in the military hospitals of France. Canada is the only

country which gives officers' commissions to its Red Cross nurses, so these two are attracting a lot of attention in Washington. They called on the secretary of war and the secretary of the navy as soon as they reached the Capital.

### GIVING CHINA'S BABIES—A SQUARE DEAL

(By Belle Bennett, in World Outlook For May)

Eighty per cent of China's little ones die in early childhood and more than fifty per cent of the babies die at birth. Here is where the woman doctor and the trained nurse come in. No mother, whatever her nationality, who had access to and advice from a woman doctor or a well trained nurse, would call in a witch doctor because her child had a pain in his stomach. To cure such a pain a doctor drove three needles into a child's intestines to make holes through which the devil's might escape. The treatment produced peritonitis, and the boy, a sturdy little lad of eight or nine, died.

The Mary Black Hospital, supported by the Southern Methodist women, has treated many such patients, more injured by the practice of native "doctors" than by disease.

Except in cities where missionaries have been living for two or three generations, no native man doctor ever delivers a woman. All children are delivered by illiterate midwives who know nothing of cleanliness, anesthesia or the use of instruments. Their careless and ignorant methods are responsible for the infection of from 50 to 85 per cent of the mothers. Indeed, infection is so common that one hospital in Shanghai is forced to maintain a separate ward for infected mothers, victims of the ignorance of midwives. Among their barbarous customs may be mentioned that of compelling every Chinese mother to sit up and keep awake for forty-eight hours after her child is born. Most of them faint from exhaustion and many of them die.

The wretched practice of infanticide continues in the interior, where Christian civilization has not touched the people. In every Chinese mother to sit up and keep awake for forty-eight hours after her child is born. Most of them faint from exhaustion and many of them die.

These are some of the reasons why China needs thousands of trained

women, physicians, and nurses, who cannot only repair the damages done by native witch doctors, but who can also instruct the Chinese women in the care of herself and her children. Here is a wide and effective door to the homes and hearts of the Chinese.

### WEDDING RINGS.

The platinum wedding ring is fast replacing the gold one. This is a natural consequence of the popular platinum engagement ring. The gold wedding ring will not look well with it. Realizing this fact, one engaged girl was in a quandary. She liked the effect of the platinum wedding ring, but felt she wouldn't feel really, truly married with any but a gold one!

When a hem on any article is frayed, cut off the whole hem and rehem it; it pays in looks.

## Steaming the Face Really a Simple Beauty Process

By LUCREZIA BORI

The Famous Spanish Prima Donna



It is generally

known that a poor complexion may be greatly improved by steaming the face. But because many persons have the mistaken idea that face-steaming is a complicated process, comparatively few make use of this method of correcting complexion ills. The process is really so simple that there's no reason why every woman should not do it in her own home.

First, you need a pan or a basin with a large surface, which can be placed over an alcohol lamp or a gas flame if the latter is low, so that the face can be easily held over the pan. The water must be kept just below the boiling point, for boiling steam will burn the skin. There must be, however, enough heat to keep up a good volume of steam in order to promote perspiration, so the pores are thoroughly cleansed.

When you've prepared everything for the steam bath, cover the face with a thick coat of cleansing cream.

The following is excellent:

White Wax ..... 2 ounces  
Spermaceti ..... 2 ounces  
Sweet Almond Oil ..... 12 ounces  
Distilled water ..... 2 ounces  
Glycerine ..... 2 ounces  
Salicylic acid ..... 90 grains

Remove the cream with a soft towel, so the dust and the grease will come off together—then apply another layer of cream and with the finger tips massage the flesh. Use vigorous, rotary strokes over the entire surface, making the upward half of the stroke the stronger. Continue the massage treatment for eight or ten minutes.

When the water begins to steam, bend the face over it and cover the head and the pan with a towel, so the steam will be held about the face. Soon the perspiration will begin to flow freely, and the face should again be wiped with a soft towel.

Repeat the Process.

Steam the face again, and again remove the perspiration. Repeat until the skin is thoroughly cleansed. Devote at least 15 or 20 minutes to the steaming process.

After this dry the face and bathe it with cold water, or, better still,

apply a piece of ice to the skin, to close the pores. If there's no eruption on your face, an excellent astringent lotion to apply is made of: Spirits of camphor ..... 1 ounce  
Spirits of ammonia ..... 1 ounce  
Alcohol ..... 1 gill  
Sea salt ..... 2 1/2 ounces  
Add enough boiling water to this mixture to make a pint.

Bathe the face with the lotion, allowing it to dry on the skin. It's a wonderful tonic, and may be used on the throat and arms also. Do not steam the face oftener than once a week, for too frequent applications will cause wrinkles and make the skin flabby.

If carefully done, steaming will greatly improve the texture of the skin, making it fine and soft. Should you find it impossible in your particular case to steam the face in this manner, the next best method is to apply towels dipped in extremely hot water. Wring out the superfluous water and lay them across the face, allowing them to remain until they're cold. Repeat this until the pores are cleansed. Then bathe the face in cold water or apply ice as in steam bath.

## WINIFRED BLACK WRITES ABOUT SECRETARY DANIELS' BIG LITTLE CALLER

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Winifred Black

The woman who sits at the foot of the stairs in the Navy Department and makes everybody say what their business is before she lets them pass by Secretary Daniels has a lot of interesting stories to tell. Here's one:

The other morning there was an unusual rush of visitors. Smart naval officers, interesting-looking men of affairs, prosperous women sent as committees from this and that organization, a governor or two, and at least half a dozen mayors, were waiting their turn, when a little, stubby-toed boy, not a day over five, came eagerly pushing his way through the crowd.

He tried to brush by the woman at the foot of the stairs—when she stopped him his eyes grew very large.

"Say!" he said, "you ain't the secretary, are you?"

"No," said the woman, "but he told me to ask you what you were here for."

"Oh," said the little boy, his big eyes suddenly growing very bright indeed. "Did he know I was coming?"

"Why, yes," said the woman. "He must have found it out. Now, tell me what do you want to see him for?"

The little boy drew himself up very straight and dignified, and pursing his red lips into a perfect knot.

Then he shook his head.

"I can't tell," he said, "not to nobody but Mr. Daniels."

"Why not?" said the woman at the foot of the stairs.

The little boy leaned over and whispered in a loud stage whisper that could be heard half across the room.

"It's a secret," he said huskily.

There was something so earnest in his face and so honest in his eyes that the whole waiting assemblage joined in a plea, and two admirals, a governor and a very well known financier begged the woman at the foot of the stairs to break her rule just once and to let the little boy go up.

She did. And the little boy marched sturdily past Mr. Daniels's secretary, and past the electrified office boy, and even past the stenographer, straight into the inner office of the Secretary of the Navy.

Once inside the door, he caught off his little hat as if he were entering a church, put it under his arm, drew out a folded mass of papers, and approached the secretary.

"U-boats," he said. "I've got a plan for getting rid of them."

And he had, all drawn out on the paper, and it wasn't such a bad plan either, so Secretary Daniels says. There was a little matter of motive power or something like that, but the principal idea was all right, and ten minutes the Secretary of the Navy and the heads of his department gathered around that little boy and spread his plans out on the table, and consulted gravely with him as to the cost of construction, probable time of building, etc.

The little boy went home a foot taller and several appreciable-inches bigger around the chest.

### Time Well Spent

Do you think that time was wasted? Ten minutes, valuable time in such stress and turmoil as this?

I don't. I think it was well spent myself, and from this moment on whenever I think of the Secretary of the Navy and the difficulties he's trying to meet, I'm going to remember that little stubby-toed boy and his eager eyes and earnest, loyal little heart, and the way the Secretary of the American Navy took time to listen.

It makes my heart a little lighter somehow. Doesn't it affect yours that way?